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SUBJECT: FURTHER GUIDANCE ON ECE DECISION B (XXXI) IN
CONTEXT OF WATER PROBLEMS COMMITTEE AND OTHER ECE SUBSIDIARY
BODIES.

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1. DEPT APPRECIATES PROMPT AND FORCEFUL INTERVENTION OF

MISSION OFFICER AS DESCRIBED PARA 4 REFTEL AND CONCURS
MATTER SHOULD BE RAISED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WITH STILLMAN
AND STANOVNIK.

2. STATE 210010 REMAINS BASIC GUIDANCE ON THIS SUBJECT,
AND MISSION OFFICER SHOULD BE PREPARED TO INTERVENE FORCE-
FULLY IN FUTURE IF AND WHEN MATTER IS RAISED AGAIN.

3. IT APPEARS THAT JANSSENS MAY HAVE BEEN ACTING BEYOND
HIS GUIDANCE FROM STANOVNIK, SINCE BISHOP, IN CONNECTION
WITH WATER PROBLEMS COMMITTEE MEETING NEXT WEEK, DOES NOT
PLAN TO TAKE SIMILAR LINE.

4. IN ANY CASE, DEPT HAS REVIEWED MATERIAL ON THIS SUBJECT
(PARAS 12-15 OF DOCUMENT R.38) PREPARED FOR NEXT WEEK'S
MEETING. WE HAVE NO OBJECTION TO PARAS 12-14, SO LONG AS
IT IS CLEARLY UNDERSTOOD THAT PARAS 13 AND 14 REPRESENT
INDIVIDUAL DELEGATION VIEWS, NOT THE AGREED VIEWS OF THE
COMMISSION. WE CANNOT ACCEPT PARA 15: IT IS NOT WITHIN
THE COMPETENCE OF A GROUP OF EXPERTS IN A HIGHLY TECHNICAL
FIELD TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS WITH A VIEW TO ALTERING A
COMMISSION DECISION. ONLY THE COMMISSION ITSELF CAN
CHANGE A COMMISSION DECISION.

5. AT NEXT WEEK'S MEETING OF WATER PROBLEMS COMMITTEE,
MISSION OFFICER SHOULD AGAIN BE PREPARED TO HANDLE DIS-
CUSSION OF THIS MATTER UNDER AGENDA ITEM 3 AND, IN THIS
CONTEXT, SHOULD EXPRESS AT APPROPRIATE POINT U.S. VIEW
(AS SET FORTH ABOVE) THAT PARAS 13 AND 14 REPRESENT
INDIVIDUAL DELEGATION VIEWS AND PARA 15 IS UNACCEPTABLE.

6. ABOVE HAS BEEN DISCUSSED WITH GARY COBB, WHO WILL BE
BRINGING TO MEETING EXTENSIVE BACKGROUND ON UN WATER
CONFERENCE, WHICH WE HOPE WILL BE PRINCIPAL FOCUS OF
MEETING.

7. REQUEST REPORT ON STILLMAN AND STANOVNIK VIEWS ON
THIS MATTER AS WELL AS CONSULTATIONS WITHIN WESTERN CAUCUS.
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